Accidents involving DTC buses

364. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the accidents involving DTC buses are increasing;

(b) if so, the number of accidents involving DTC buses which took place from November, 1985 to January, 1986;

(c) the total number of persons killed and injured as a result of these accidents;

(d) the amount of compensation so far paid to the victims of accidents involving DTC buses;

(e) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Police had even sent a detailed note to the DTC Chairman listing several suggestions regarding reduction of accidents involving DTC buses; and

(f) if so, what are the salient features thereof and what action Government have taken on the suggestions contained in the said note?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The requisite information is given below:—

	No. of Accidents			
	Minor	Major	Fatal	Total
Nov. '85	322	18	12	352
Dec. '85	299	20	21	340
Jan. '86	332	25	13	370
	953	63	46	1062

(c)

	No. of persons killed	Injured
Nov. '85	15	102
Dec. '85	21	98
Jan. '86	14	112
	50	312

(d) The amount of compensation paid to the victims of the accident involving DTC Buses during the period Nov. '85 to Jan. '86 is Rs. 26,91,719/- as per details given below:—

Month	Awarded amount and compromised amount	Interim Relief paid	Total
	(Rs.)	(Rs.)	(Rs.)
Nov. '85	65,000	1,12,500	1,77,500
Dec. '85	16,53,000	1,80,000	18,33,000
Jan. '86	3,51,219	3,30,000	6,81,219
	20,69,219	6,22,500	26,91,719

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) A letter was received by Chairman, DTC in October, 1985 from the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic) containing some suggestions. The main suggestions were that DTC should include a Police Officer in the Committee which tests the drivers after completion of their training; buses be fitted with speed governors; drivers be recruited on all India basis; and that the buses be provided command doors to control the entry of passengers. All the suggestions of the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic) have been accepted/excepting the last one. It has not been found advisable to provide doors at exist and entry in city buses.

Earmarking of funds for education

365. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Governments are reluctant to earmark sufficient funds for education;

(b) whether any efforts have been made to persuade the State Governments to provide more funds for education;

(c) what is the amount proposed to be spent on education by each State during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(d) whether any high powered joint commission of the Centre and the States has been set up to study the problem of resources for education and working out a strategy for mobilising those resources on a long term basis; and

(e) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): (a) and (b) Funds for education are provided by State Governments after Annual Plan discussions with Planning Commission, subject to the over-all constraint of resources and priorities for various sectors of development.

(c) The relevant information based on the allocations fixed by the Planning Commission is furnished in the attached statement.

(d) and (e) In pursuance of the decision taken by the Conference of Education Ministers of all States/U.Ts, a Group of State Education Ministers and Experts has been set up under the Chairmanship of Minister for Human Resource Development, to examine the financial resources needed for fulfilling the objectives of the New Education Policy. It has already met once on November 26, 1985 and is meeting again on February 26, 1986. The Report of the Group is awaited.

Statement

Approved outlay for total education for the Seventh Five Year Plan 1985-90

(Rs. in lakhs)

State/Union Territory	General Education	Art & Culture	Technical Education	Sports & Youth Services	Total Education
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Andhra Pradesh . . .	18100	1580	1190	..	20870
2. Assam	15900	600	1600	500	18600
3. Bihar	30575	200	800	500	32075
4. Gujarat	8071	403	1820	202	10496